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## **Process Begins to Amend State Constitution**

*State Treasurer wants to eliminate his office and the Secretary of State's Office*

**(Madison)** State Treasurer Kurt Schuller today offered his Joint Resolution that will eliminate the Offices of State Treasurer and Secretary of State. The process to amend the State Constitution involves several steps and will culminate with a statewide referendum.

“When I began my campaign for State Treasurer, I ran on the primary issue of eliminating the Office of State Treasurer and Secretary of State”, Treasurer Schuller said. “This message resonated with voters all across our state and helped me to defeat the incumbent Treasurer.”

The resolution will be introduced in the State Assembly by Representative Scott Krug on the Treasurer's behalf. Both the Assembly and Senate must pass the amendment in two concurrent sessions with no changes. After that, it will go before the voters. The earliest that could happen is 2013. If a majority of voters approve the amendment, the State Treasurer and Secretary of State will end their terms on the first Monday in January 2015.

“I believe this is in the best interest of the people and I will work with the legislature to see that this amendment is approved,” Treasurer Schuller said.

Attached with this news release is a copy of the Joint Resolution.

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